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1. TRANSMITTED BELOW IS UNOFFICIAL EMBASSY TRANSLATION
OF RLG DRAFT PROTOCOL COVERING ARTICLES OF VIENTIANE 1973
AGREEMENT CONCERNED WITH MILITARY AFFAIRS. THIS IS NOT A
DEFINITIVE TRANSLATION. THIS DRAFT PROTOCOL HAS BEEN RECEIVED
BY LPF NEGOTIATORS IN VIENTIANE AS OF MARCH 21.

RLG DRAFT PROTOCOL CONCERNING IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
MILITARY AGREEMENT

PART ONE

CONCERNING THE JOINT COMMITTEE TO IMPLEMENT THE AGREEMENT AND
THE JOINT MILITARY SUB- COMMITTEE.

ARTICLE 1:

IN ORDER TO IMPLEMENT ALL PROVISIONS OF THE AGREEMENT,
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THE TWO SIDES HAVE AGREED TO SET UP A " JOINT COMMITTEE TO
IMPLEMENT THE AGREEMENT" BEGINNING TODAY. ENCH SIDE HAS

() MEMBERS, INCLUDING ONE CHAIRMAN AND TWO VICE CHAIRMEN. THE " JOINT COMMITTEE TO IMPLEMENT THE AGREEMENT" IS DIVIDED INTO TWO SUB- COMMITTEES, THE " JOINT POLITICAL SUB-COMMITTEE" AND THE " JOINT MILITARY SUB- COMMITTEE."

ARTICLE 2:

THE JOINT MILITARY SUB- COMMITTEE IS PART OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE TO IMPLEMENT THE CEASE- FIRE. EACH SIDE CONSISTS OF () MEMBERS, INCLUDING ONE CHAIRMAN. IN ADDITION EACH SIDE WILL NOMINATE EXPERTS TO JOIN THE JOINT MILITARY SUB-COMMITTEE. THE NUMBER OF EXPERTS IS LIMITED TO FOUR, BUT THEY ARE INTER- CHANGEABLE.

PART TWO

JOINT MILITARY SUB- COMMITTEE

ARTICLE 3:

IN ORDER TO IMPLEMENT THE VIENTIANE 1973 AGREEMENT, THE DUTIES OF THE JOINT MILITARY SUB- COMMITTEE CONSIST OF ENSURING THAT THE WAR ENDS, IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER:

- A. TO HAVE A GENUINE, EFFECTIVE AND PERMANENT CEASE- FIRE THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY (ARTICLE 2 OF THE 1973 AGREEMENT).
- B. END DEFINITELY ALL MILITARY HOSTILITIES (ART. 3).
- C. WITHDRAW ALL FOREIGN REGULAR AND IRREGULAR TROOPS COMPLETELY AND PERMANENTLY (ARTICLE 4).
- D. CARRY OUT EFFECTIVELY THE RELEASE AND EXCHANGE OF ALL POWS AS WELL AS GETTING INFORMATION ABOUT THOSE MISSING DURING THE WAR (ARTICLE 5).
- E. FORBID EFFECTIVELY AND PERMANENTLY RE- ENTRY TO LAOS OF WAR MATERIEL AND FOREIGN MILITARY PERSONNEL (ART. 3(D).
- F. FORBID THE USE OF LAO TERRITOR FOR MILITARY GOALS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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OF FOREIGN COUNTRIES IN AN EFFECTIVE, GENUINE AND PERMANENT WAY (ARTICLE 2(B) OF AGREEMENT).

ARTICLE 4:

IN ORDER TO MAKE A CEASE- FIRE EFFECTIVE THROUGHOUT THE KINGDOM, BOTH SIDES HAVE AGREED:

A. MILITARY COMMANDS OF BOTH SIDES MUST PUBLICLY ORDER THEIR OWN TROOPS TO CEASE- FIRE- IN- PLACE THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY ACCORDING TO EACH ONE' S OWN MEANS BEGINNING AT FEBRUARY 22, 1973 AT 1200 HOURS.

B. IN ORDER TO RECOGNIZE MILITARY POSITIONS OF EACH SIDE, THEY SHOULD EXCHANGE INFORMATION AND MUTUAL RECOGNITION OF ONE' S SIDE' S POITIONS BY THE OTHER SIDE. IF POSITIONS OF BOTH SIDES ARE TOO CLOSE, OR ADJACENT TO ONE ANOTHER, THERE SHOULD BE AN INVESTIGATION IN ORDER TO SEPARATE THE TROOPS TO A REASONABLE DISTANCE IN ORDER TO AVOID CONFRONTATIONS. INVESTIGATION AND AGREEMENT CAN BE MADE EITHER BY " JOINT LOCAL INVESTIGATING TEAMS" AND " LOCAL MILITARY COMMANDS" OR THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE, WHICHEVER IS APPROPRIATE. THIS WILL BE DONE BY MUTUAL AGREEMENT.

C. FORBID ALL MILITARY ACTIVITIES, SUCH AS: ATTACKS, FIGHTING, BOMBING, ROCKET LAUNCHING, AND FIRE BY SMALL AND LARGE ARTILLERY PIECES.

D. WHEN A VIOLATION OCCURS, THE CONTROL TEAM CONCERNED MUST INVESTIGATE, STUDY AND FIND A MEANS TO STOP IT. IF NO SULATION IS POSSIBLE, THE TEAM SHOULD REPORT TO HIGHER LEVELS TO CORRECT THE SITUATION ACCORDINGLY. THIS TYPE OF WORK CAN BE DONE WITH THE ASSISTANCE AND COOPERATION OF THE ICC.

ARTICLE 5:

IN ORDER TO CEASE DEFINITELY ALL MILITARY HOSTILITIES, BOTH SIDES HAVE AGREED:

A. EACH SIDE' S MILITARY COMMAND MUST GIVE THE FOLLOWING ORDER:

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- EACH SIDE MUST STRICTLY STAY IN ITS POSITIONS.
- IT IS FORBIDDEN TO MOVE, CAPTURE, THREATEN AND ENTER INTO A MILITARY POSITION THAT BELONGS TO THE OTHER SIDE.
- IT IS FORBIDDEN TO CONDUCT MILITARY ACTIVITIES THAT CONSTITUTE HOSTILITIES, NAMELY BANDITRY, COMMANDO AND SUPPRESSION ACTIVITIES, AS WELL AS ARMED MOVEMENTS AND ESPIONAGE ACTS BY EITHER SIDE AGAINST POSITIONS OF THE OTHER SIDE.
- IT IS FORBIDDEN TO CONDUCT ALL MILITARY MOVEMENTS TO WIPE OUT, THREATEN, SUPPRESS, AND AFFECT THE LIVES AND PROPERTIES OF THE POPULATION AS WELL AS OTHER ACTS OF REVENGE AND DISCRIMINATION AGAINST PEOPLE WHO HAD COOPERATED WITH THE OTHER SIDE DURING THE WAR.

B. IN CASE ONE SIDE NEEDS TO SUPPLY FOODSTUFFS TO ITS OWN SIDE OR RESHUFFLE ITS OWN PERSONNEL BY PASSING THROUGH THE AREA OF THE OTHER SIDE, THE LOCAL COMMAND OF ONE SIDE MUST CONTACT THE LOCAL COMMAND OF THE OTHER SIDE IN ORDER TO FACILITATE THE SUPPLY OF FOODSTUFFS OR THE RESHUFFLE OF PERSONNEL. THE CONTACT CAN BE MADE DIRECTLY BY THE LOCAL COMMANDS OR THROUGH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE " JOINT LOCAL CONTROL TEAM." IT IS THE DUTY OF THE LOCAL COMMANDS OF THE TWO SIDES (OR THE LOCAL CONTROL TEAM) TO SPECIFY AND AGREE ON MEASURES THAT INCLUDE THE TYPE OF ITEM BEING SUPPLIED, THE PERSONNEL TO BE RESHUFFLED, THE DATE AND TIME OF CROSSING INTO THE AREA OF THE OTHER SIDE.

C. IF ANY VIOLATION OR ACCIDENT OCCURS, THE JOINT LOCAL CONTROL TEAM MUST REMEDY THE SITUATION. IF IT IS BEYOND ITS CAPACITY, A REPORT SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO A HIGHER COMMITTEE TO HELP RECTIFY THE SITUATION. THE ACTION CAN BE TAKEN WITH THE ASSISTANCE AND COOPERATION OF THE ICC.

ARTICLE 6:

IN ORDER TO MAKE REGULAR AND IRREGULAR TROOPS OF EVERY FOREIGN COUNTRY LEAVE THE KINGDOM OF LAOS DEFINITELY AND PERMANENTLY, BOTH SIDES HAVE UNANIMOUSLY AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

A. REGULAR AND IRREGULAR FOREIGN TROOPS AS WELL AS MILITARY ADVISORS AND EXPERTS MUST WITHDRAW FROM THE KINGDOM LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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DEFINITELY AND PERMANENTLY.

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B. THE WITHDRAWAL OF FOREIGN TROOPS FROM THE KINGDOM
MUST BE COMPLETED BEFORE MAY 22, 1973 WHICH IS THE LAST
DAY OF WITHDRAWAL AS STIPULATED IN THE 21 FEBRUARY 1973
VIENTIANE AGREEMENT.

C. AFTER MAY 22, 1973, IF ANY REGULAR AND IRREGULAR
FOREIGN TROOPS, EXPERTS OR ADVISORS STILL REMAIN IN THE
KINGDOM, WHETHER IN THE CAPACITY OF FOREIGN TROOPS, OR
INTEGRATED IN THE LOCAL FORCES OF EITHER SIDE DIRECTLY
OR INDIRECTLY, THIS WOULD BE CONSIDERED AS A VIOLATION
TO THE AGREEMENT.

D. IF A VIOLATION IS DISCOVERED BY A JOINT CONTROLLING
TEAM OR A MILITARY COMMAND OF EITHER SIDE, A REPORT SHOULD
BE SUBMITTED TO A HIGHER ECHELON AND IT WILL THEN BE THE
DUTY OF THE " JOINT COMMITTEE TO IMPLEMENT THE VIENTIANE
AGREEMENT" AND ITS MILITARY SUB- COMMITTEE TO DECIDE AND
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FORCE THE TROOPS IN QUESTION TO LEAVE THE KINGDOM IMMEDIATELY
AND DEFINITELY ACCORDING TO THE PROVISIONS OF 1954 AND 1962
GENEVA AGREEMENTS AND OF THE 1973 VIENTIANE AGREEMENT.
THIS ACTION CAN BE TAKEN JOINTLY WITH THE ASSISTANCE AND
COOPERATION OF THE ICC.

E. IF SUCH A VIOLATION OCCURS THE ICC CAN INSPECT IT
ON THE SPOT WITHOUT CONSULTING WITH EITHER LAO SIDE.

TO FORBID THE ICC TO INSPECT THE ABOVE MENTIONED
VIOLATION WITHOUT ANY VALID REASON WOULD BE A VIOLATION
OF THIS AGREEMENT ITSELF. THE ICC HAS FULL
AUTHORITY TO DETERMINE BY ITSELF WHETHER THE REASON TO
RESTRAIN IT FROM INSPECTING ANY VIOLATION IS VALID OR
NOT.

CONCERNING THE CONTROL AND INSPECTION OF THE WITHDRAWAL
OF FOREIGN TROOPS, THE ICC HAS THE AUTHORITY TO TRAVEL
THROUGH OR FLY OVER MILITARY PORTIONS OF EITHER LAO SIDE

WITHOUT OBTAINING ANY PERMISSION. IT ONLY HAS TO PROVIDE INFORMATION 24 HOURS IN ADVANCE ON THE AREA TO WHICH IT WILL TRAVEL OR FLY OVER.

GOALS OF THE INSPECTION OF THE ICC AS MENTIONED ABOVE ARE THE FOLLOWING:

- TO FIND OUT IF THE ABOVE MENTIONED FOREIGN TROOPS AND ADVISORS STILL REMAIN ON THE LAO SOIL.
- TO FIND OUT IF THE LAO TROOPS WHICH ARE TRAINED, ORGANIZED, ASSISTED AND COMMANDED BY FOREIGN COUNTRIES ARE STILL IN OPERATION.
- TO SEE THAT EVERY ARMED FORCE HAS BEEN INTEGRATED IN THE ARMED FORCE OF EITHER CONCERNED LAO SIDE AT THE TIME OF SIGNING OF THE AGREEMENT.
- TO SEE THAT ALL LAO SOLDIERS ARE LAO CITIZENS AT THE PRESENT TIME AND AT THE TIME WHEN THE PROTOCOL IS SIGNED IN GENEVA IN 1962
- TO SEE THAT ALL FOREIGN MILITARY INSTALLATIONS ARE DISMANTLED.

ARTICLE 7:

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IN ORDER TO COMPLETE THE RELEASE AND EXCHANGE OF POWS AND TO FACILITATE THE GATHERING OF INFORMATION ON THOSE WHO ARE MISSING, BOTH SIDES HAVE UNANIMOUSLY AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

A. IN A PERIOD OF 15 DAYS FOLLOWING THE DATE OF SIGNING OF THIS PROTOCOL AND 48 HOURS PRIOR TO THE RELEASE OF THOSE WHO WERE CAPTURED, ONE SIDE'S MILITARY SUB-COMMITTEE WILL SUBMIT THE LIST OF DETAINEES TO THE OTHER. DETAINEES MUST BE CLASSIFIED BY NATIONALITY AND BY WHETHER THEY ARE MILITARY OR CIVILIAN.

WITHIN A PERIOD OF 30 DAYS FOLLOWING THE DATE OF SIGNING OF THIS PROTOCOL, EACH SIDE WILL SUBMIT LISTS OF THOSE PEOPLE CAPTURED AND DETAINED, WHO DIED DURING THEIR DETENTION.

B. EACH SIDE SHALL MAKE
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TO CARRY OUT THIS WORK THE LAO SIDES MAY REQUEST ASSISTANCE AND COOPERATION FROM THE ICC. OTHERWISE, IN CASE OF A VIOLATION THE ICC CAN AGREE TO MAKE AN INSPECTION ALL BY ITSELF.

PART THREE: " JOINT CONTROL TEAMS"

ARTICLE 10:

FOR THE CESSATION OF WAR AND IN CONFORMITY WITH THE RESPONSIBILITY AS STIPULATED IN ARTICLE 3 OF THE ABOVE BOTH SIDES HAVE AGREED THAT THE " MILITARY SUB- COMMITTEES" CAN FORM " JOINT CONTROL TEAMS"

WITH THE FOLLOWING DUTIES:

A. IN VIENTIANE (CENTRAL) THERE WILL BE THREE " MOBILE JOINT CONTROL TEAMS". THESE MOBILE JOINT CONTROL TEAMS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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MUST BE SET UP IMMEDIATELY WITHIN A PERIOD OF SEVEN DAYS FOLLOWING THE DATE OF SIGNING THIS PROTOCOL. EACH TEAM WILL HAVE THREE OFFICERS ON EACH SIDE. THESE THREE MOBILE JOINT CONTROL TEAMS WILL BE INSTRUMENTS OF THE " MILITARY SUB- COMMITTEE". INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE GIVEN THEM BY THE MILITARY SUB- COMMITTEE WHENEVER THEY ARE CALLED FOR IN A PARTICULAR SITUATION.

B. IN THE COUNTRYSIDE, THERE WILL BE " JOINT LOCAL CONTROL TEAMS" AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:
SOUKHOUMA, NA FANG; ATTOPEU; THATENG; BAN PHONE; BAN BAK;
TOUMLANE; PAKSONG; PAKSE; SARAVANE; CHAVANE; TAT HAI; TCHEPONE;

MUONG PHINE; MUONG PHALANE; SAVANNAKHET; TONE PHEUNG- NA
YOM; PHA NOP; NA PHAO; NOMMARATH; THAKHEK; NA PAE; HOM MOUI
NHIA; KHAM KEUT; BAN DONE; PAKSANE; THATHOM; PHOU KHOUNE;
SAM THONG; MUONG SOUI; KHANG KHAY; BAN BAN; NONG HET;
SAM NEUA; SOP XAN; SAM TEU; MUONG HANG; MUONG PHOUN;
SOP NAO; NAM BAC; MUONG SAY; PAK BENG; PAK SENG; LUANG PRABANG;
HOUAI SAI; LUANG NAMTHA; PHONG SALY;

EACH JOINT LOCAL CONTROL TEAM CONSISTS OF THREE OFFICERS
FROM EACH SIDE. ELEVEN TEAMS MUST BE SET UP IMMEDIATELY AND
NO LATER THAN 15 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SIGNATURE OF THIS
PROTOCOL.

C. WHEN AN INCIDENT OCCURS, IN ORDER TO END THE WAR, THE
JOINT LOCAL CONTROL TEAMS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR CONTROLLING,
INVESTIGATING, STOPPING, AND SOLVING EVERY PROBLEM THAT
ARISES AT THEIR LOCATION, OR AT THOSE AREAS NEAREST ITSELF.

D. AFTER CONSIDERATION, IF ANY CASE CANNOT BE SOLVED, A
REPORT SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO A HIGHER AUTHORITY FOR
FURTHER CONSIDERATION, SO THAT PROBLEMS CAN BE SOLVED IN
ACCORDANCE WITH THEIR LEVEL AND APPROPRIATENESS, AS AGREED
BY OTHER SIDES.

E. TO FACILITATE SUPPLY AND COMMUNICATIONS PROBLEMS,
EACH SIDE CAN SET UP ITS OWN " REGIONAL TEAM" .

THE " REGIONAL TEAM" IS ONLY THE COMMUNICATIONS CENTER
BETWEEN THE CENTRAL TEAM AND THE LOCAL TEAMS OF EACH SIDE.

F. THE JOINT LOCAL CONTROL TEAM CAN CARRY OUT ITS WORK
WITHIN THE LIMITS OF ITS DUTIES AS SPECIFIED IN THIS
PROTOCOL EITHER AT ITS OWN INITIATIVE OR UPON RECEIVING
ORDERS FROM THE " MILITARY SUB- COMMITTEE."

ARTICLE 11:

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MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION AND OTHER EQUIPMENT THAT MAY
BE NEEDED BY THE " MILITARY SUB- COMMITTEE" AS WELL AS THE
" MOBILE JOINT CONTROL TEAMS" AND THE " JOINT LOCAL CONTROL
TEAMS" IN CARRYING OUT THEIR WORK SHOULD BE PROCURED
SEPARATELY BY EACH SIDE.

HOWEVER, FOR THE SAKE OF MUTUAL HELP AND COOPERATION
WITH ONE ANOTHER, ON SIDE CAN MEET THE NEEDS OF THE OTHER
(SIDE) WITHIN THE LIMITE OF ITS EXISITNG CAPACITY.

EACH SIDE WILL MAKE AN EFFORT TO PROCURE ITS EQUIPMENT
SUCH AS - COMMUNICATIONS, EQUIPMENT, MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION
(INCLUDING AIRCRAFT OF IT IS NECESSARY), FOR ITS MILITARY
SUB- COMMITTEE AND CONTROL TEAMS. IF ONE SIDE'S EQUIPMENT
IS LACKING, IT CAN PROCURE OR REQUEST HELP FROM OTHER
SOURCES.

ARTICLE 12:

AT EVERY LEVEL, BOTH SIDES SHOULD PROVIDE ADEQUATE SECURITY ,
AS WELL AS HELP AND COOPERATE WITH THE JOINT COMMITTEE TO
IMPLEMENT THE AGREEMENT, THE JOINT MILITARY SUB- COMMITTEES,
AND THE JOINT CONTROL TEAMS IN CARRYING OUT THEIR TASKS.
WHILE THE MEMBERS OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE TO IMPLEMENT
THE AGREEMENT, THE JOINT MILITARY SUB- COMMITTEES AND THE
JOINT CONTROL TEAMS ARE CARRYING OUT THEIR TASKS THEY
SHOULD BE PROTECTED AS WELL AS RECEIVE ALL PRIVILEGES DETERMINED
MUTUALLY BY BOTH SIDES.

PART FOUR

" INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION FOR SUPERVISION AND CONTROL "

ARTICLE 13:

THE ACHIEVEMENT OF THE CESSATION OF THE WAR (NAMELY -
CEASE- FIRE, CESSATION OF MILITARY ACTIVITIES THAT CONSTITUTE
HOSTILITIES TOWARD ONE ANOTHER, WITHDRAWAL OF FOREIGN TROOPS
FROM THE KINGDOM OF LAOS, RELEASE AND EXCHANGE OF POWS,
AND GATHERING OF INFORMATION ABOUT THOSE MISSING DURING
THE WAR, THE PROHIBITION OF IMPORT OF WAR MATERIAL AND
FOREIGN MILITARY PERSONNEL TO LAOS AS WELL AS THE
PROHIBITION OF THE USE OF LAO TERRITORY FOR MILITARY GOALS
OF FOREIGN COUNTRIES), IS THE BASIC RESPONSIBILITY OF BOTH
LAO PARTIES.

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HOWEVER, IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE THE CESSATION OF THE WAR BY
AN EFFECTIVE AND REINFORCED MEANS BY HAVING SOMEONE TO
EXTEND HELP AND CONTROL DEPENDING ON EACH CASE, BOTH SIDES
HAVE AGREED TO:

- A. REQUEST THE ICC TO CONTINUE ITS TASKS IN LAOS AS
STIPULATED IN 1962 GENEVA ACCORDS -
- B. ASIDE FROM THE ORGANIZATION AND INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF
THE ICC BOTH SIDES REQUEST THE MEMBERS OF THE 1962 ICC TO:
- ESTABLISH THREE " MOBILE CONTROLLING TEAMS" IMMEDIATELY,
AT THE HEADQUARTERS (VIENTIANE).
- ESTABLISH IMMEDIATELY FORTY SEVEN (47) " LOCAL CONTROL
TEAMS" TO BE AT THE SIDE OF THE LAO " JOINT LOCAL CONTROL
TEAMS" AS MENTIONED IN ARTICLE 10 OF THIS PROTOCOL.
- C. " CONTROL TEAMS" OF THE ICC WILL CARRY OUT THEIR DUTIES
IN THE AREAS UNDER THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE LAO " JOINT
CONTROL TEAMS" AND WORK SIDE BY SIDE WITH THESE TEAMS.
- D. WHEN EITHER LAO SIDE REQUESTS ASSISTANCE FROM AN
ICC TEAM TO FULFILL ITS RESPONSIBILITIES IN ENDING THE WAR,
AS STIPULATED IN ARTICLE THREE OF THIS PROTOCOL, THE ICC
SHOULD MEET ITS REQUEST IMMEDIATELY.
- E. THE ICC IS FREE TO TAKE ANY INITIATIVE IT BELIEVES
WOULD BE USEFUL TO PROMOTE THE CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES IN
LAOS, INCLUDING GUARANTEEING THAT THE VIENTIANE 1973

AGREEMENT AND THIS MILITARY PROTOCOL ARE NOT VIOLATED.

F. THE ICC INVESTIGATION OR CONTROL ACTIVITY
MUST TAKE PLACE NOT LATER THAN 12 HOURS AFTER THE ICC OR THE
LOCAL ICC CONTROL TEAM RECEIVES A REQUEST FROM EITHER SIDE.

THE ICC OR ITS CONTROL TEAM CAN INVESTIGATE UNILATERALLY IN
ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE 1962 PROTOCOL.

G. IN ORDER TO IMPLEMENT THIS PROTOCOL, EACH SIDE MUST
ALLOW THE ICC CONTROL TEAM, SECRETARIAT, MEMBER DELEGATIONS,
SUB- COMMITTEES, AND ANY OR ALL OF THEIR MEMBERS TO ENTER
INTO ITS OWN POSITIONS. THE ICC MEMBERS WILL HAVE FULL
FREEDOM TO TRAVEL BACK AND FORTH THROUGHOUT THE KINGDOM
OF LAOS.

H. THROUGH THE MILITARY SUB- COMMITTEE, THE SIGNATORY
PARTIES EITHER COLLECTIVELY OR INDIVIDUALLY MUST COOPERATE
WITH THE ICC MEMBERS AND ASSIST THEM IN CARRYING OUT THEIR
TASKS. EACH SIDE MUST ORDER ITS MILITARY AND CIVILIAN
SUBORDINATES TO FACILITATE THE ICC TASK.

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I. THROUGH THE MILITARY SUB- COMMITTEE, THE
SIGNATORY PARTIES EITHER INDIVIDUALLY OR COLLECTIVELY MUST
FULLY GUARANTEE SAFETY FOR THE ICC AND ORGANIZATIONS RELATING
TO IT. THE ICC ALSO HAS THE AUTHORITY TO PRESERVE SECURITY

FOR ITS OWN PERSONNEL, HEADQUARTERS AND EQUIPMENT.

J. IN ORDER TO EFFECTIVELY CARRY OUT ITS TASKS, THE ICC AND ITS SUB- BODIES MUST BE PERMITTED TO USE ALL AVAILABLE COMMUNICATIONS MEDIA.

K. IN ORDER TO CARRY OUT ITS TASK, THE ICC CAN ALSO USE TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS MEANS OF ITS OWN, OBTAINING THEM FROM THE SIGNATORY PARTIES OR ANY OTHER SOURCE.

L. SHOULD IT BE NECESSARY, THE AUTHORITIES OF THE ICC TOGETHER WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF EITHER SIDE CAN SET UP ADDITIONAL MEASURES IN ORDER TO FACILITATE THEIR TASKS.

M. WHEN THE ICC WORKS TOGETHER WITH THE LAO JOINT CONTROL TEAMS, THEY HAVE TO DISCUSS THE PARTICULAR MATTER LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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IN DETAIL. DISCUSSION AND AGREEMENT MUST TAKE PLACE AT THE LOCAL OR CENTRAL LEVEL, DEPENDING ON THE SITUATION.

ARTICLE 14:

THE VIENTIANE GOVERNMENT SIDE AND THE PATRIOTIC FORCES SIDE PLEDGE THAT THEY WILL IMPLEMENT EVERY PROVISION OF THIS PROTOCOL IN ORDER TO MAKE THE CESSATION OF FIGHTING A REALITY AND ALSO TO CREATE FAVORABLE CONDITIONS FOR SOLVING THE LAO CONFLICT AND ACHIEVING LONG LASTING NATIONAL CONCORD.

ARTICLE 15:

THIS PROTOCOL IS EFFECTIVE AND EVERY PROVISION WILL BE IMPLEMENTED BEGINNING FROM THE DATE OF ITS SIGNING.

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